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TO RESTORE SOUTH CHINA  
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS RAPIDLY

COMMUNISTS PLAN QUICK RESUMPTION OF SERVICES -- Kung-shang Jih-pao, 25 Oct 49

Kuang-chou (Canton), 24 October -- The Communists are trying hard to restore transportation systems around Kuang-chou to preliberation levels. According to a reliable source, they are now mobilizing a large number of people to speed the completion of repair work on Han-k'ou--Kuang-chou, Kuang-chou--Chiu-lung, and Kuang-chou--San-sui railroad lines which they have recently secured. According to a Communist railroad official, the Kuang-chou--Chiu-lung line is now passable from Kuang-chou to P'ing-hu, and the rest of the way to Shen-ch'uan (Sham-chun) will be made passable soon. All of the Kuang-chou--San-sui line and the Han-k'ou--Kuang-chou line from Kuang-chou north to Yuan-t'an are now cleared for traffic.

The Communists are removing various navigational restrictions and regulations to stimulate traffic on the inland waterway systems in Kwangtung Province. It is a general belief that although the Communists may be able to restore domestic transportation systems to the preliberation level within a short time, they will have difficulty in carrying on foreign trade from Kuang-chou where they will have to meet the Nationalist blockade at the mouth of Chu Chiang.

Another news report from Kuang-chou states that the Communists have taken over the administration of all the communication, transportation, and public utility services in Kuang-chou retaining almost all of the former employees.

COMMUNICATIONS, TRANSPORTATION RESUME IN EAST KWANGTUNG PROVINCE -- Kung-shang Jih-pao, 22 Oct 49

Shih-lung, 21 October -- Regular postal and communication services with Hui-yang are being restored. Limited communications with Hui-yang are now possible, such as telephone service to Shih-lung, Po-lo, and Ho-yuan, and telegraph service to Shan-t'ou via Lao-lung and Hsing-ning. Radiotelephone service between Hui-yang and Shan-t'ou is not yet in operation.

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Although the Kuang-chou--Shih-lung railroad is not yet open for normal traffic, automobile traffic is operating to Hong Kong from Hui-yang by way of Ch'en-chiang, Tan-sui, Lung-kang, Heng-kang, Sha-t'ou-chiao, and Shea-ch'uan (Sham-chun.) Most of the roads in Hsing-ning, Mei, Lao-lung, and Lung-ch'uan hsiens in the eastern part of Kwangtung Province are already open to traffic, and are linked with the roads in the Ho-p'ing and Lien-p'ing areas. Inland waterway service between Hui-yang and Lao-lung on the Tung-chiang is in operation again.

CHEKIANG HIGHWAYS RESTORED -- Nan-ch'ao Jih-pao, 7 Oct 49

Hang-chou, 30 September (HCNA) -- Of the more than 3,300 kilometers of motor roads in Chekiang, many of which were destroyed by the retreating Nationalist troops, over 2,600 kilometers have been repaired and are now in use. The work of restoration included the repair of 104 bridges, having an aggregate length of over 27,000 meters [sic], and of 115,000 meters of roads, ditches, culverts, etc. The motor roads now restored to use include those from Hang-chou to Nan-ching, Hang-chou to Shang-hai, Hang-chou to Shun-an, Hsiao-shan, Shao-hsing, Ning-ho, and Pai-kuan.

HONG KONG -- KUANG-CHOU POSTAL SERVICE RESUMED -- Kung-shang Jih-pao, 23 Oct 49

Postal service was resumed between Hong Kong and Kuang-chou yesterday, 22 October 1949. The Hong Kong Post Office received a notice from the Shen-ch'uan Post Office saying that they are now able to handle mail to Kuang-chou excepting registered mail.

KUANG-CHOU -- CHIU-LUNG RR LINE OPEN -- Hsin-sheng Wan-pao, 20 Oct 49

The Kuang-chou--Chiu-lung (Looan) railroad line, between Shen-ch'uan and Shih-lung, was reopened. Traffic beginning 20 October 1949. Although it is open only to military traffic at present, it will be opened to normal commercial traffic by 25 October 1949.

SHIPPING BETWEEN HONG KONG AND SHAN-WEI RESUMES -- Hsin-sheng Wan-pao, 20 Oct 49

Coastal shipping between Hong Kong and Shan-wei, suspended during the last few days to prevent the ships from being taken over by the Nationalists for the evacuation of their troops and government personnel from Shan-wei, was resumed again on 19 October 1949.

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